Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

A reference to the Cochin Civil list is invited.

Suits under the Tenancy Regulation.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

66. Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of suits filed under sections I, 22 and 23, II, 25, 30 and 31, and III 32 of the Cochin Tenancy Regulation in each of the courts in the State giving separate figures for suits under the above three classifications;

(b) the total number of the above suits each year in which (1) the landlords succeeded (2) the tenants succeeded?

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

Statements furnishing the information called for in (a) and (b) are placed on the table. (*Vide Appendix I.*)

A List of Sirkar suits in which the Government Advocate appeared.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

67. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House a list of suits in which the Government Advocate was instructed to appear on behalf of the Sirkar on special requisition by Heads of Departments under rule 257 of the Cochin Standing Orders during the last five years?

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

Year.	*No. of suits.*
1099.	O. S. Nos. 94 and 95 of 1099 of the Trichur District Court.
1100.	O. S. No. 116/1100 of the Trichur District Court.

The Revision of the Tenancy Regulation.

Mr. C. A KUNJUNNI RAJA.

68. In the Administration Report of 1096, the Government has stated that they were considering the advisability of a revision of the Tenancy Regulation.

(a) Has this consideration reached any concrete form? If so, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House the papers embodying the views of the Government in the matter?

(b) If unwilling to place the papers, will the Government be pleased to state if they propose to introduce any amending Bill? If so, when?

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Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

(a) No.

Part II does not call for any answer.

(b) Yes. As early as practicable.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

Sir, the Government have been considering for the last five years. Is there any practical difficulty in the way of the Government to introduce any amending measure as early as practicable? I want to know whether they have been considering for the last 5 years. Is there any practical difficulty in the way of the Government in introducing this amending measure which they fully realise to be necessary?

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

The Government have been not only considering this legislation but other matters also for the last five years. The enactment of the measure is a very difficult question to deal with. The matter will be taken up as early as practicable. There are several other duties as well. We cannot promise, then, at what particular time the matter will be taken up.

Mr. C. ACHYUTA MENON.

Why not appoint a Committee? I say it would be better if non-officials who take interest in the matter are appointed in the Committee.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

I am also as anxious to get the Regulation amended as Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja, but on a different point of view altogether.

Dr. A. G. MENON.

Sir, a point of order. I want to know whether we can discuss the question.

Mr. C. ACHYUTA MENON.

It is only informal.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

I may say Government also expect from the non-officials certain more important Bills than the Cinematograph Regulation. It is rather a difficult Regulation. It is impossible in my opinion to move the question at the next meeting to appoint a Committee and draft the amending Regulation on certain lines. I do not want to rush through so many things at once. That is why I postponed it to the next session.

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Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

It is not a new legislation. This has been in existence for the last 10 years or more, and we have had several decisions on this matter.

President.—I don't see why the non-official members should not make a move in amending this Bill.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

The Government has to deal with several Bills introduced for the first time. It is the non-officials that should take interest in the matter. They can hurry it, as soon as possible, and need not wait for the Government. It is by private measures such things are hurried. The difficulty is the Government has to see what the amendments are required.

Mr. C. ACHYUTA MENON.

All things cannot be rushed together.

An Amendment to the Tenancy Regulation.

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

69. Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact, that an amendment to the Cochin Tenancy Regulation is being prepared by the Government, and if so, whether it will be introduced in the next session of the Council? If it is not a fact, will the Government be pleased to appoint a Committee to revise the Regulation in view of the fact that, between the Regulation and the Law Courts, both the tenants and the jenmies are being put to much loss and trouble.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

The member is referred to the answer to question No. 68.

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

In view of these facts now referred to by the Government Advocate, what I ask the Government is whether it will be pleased to appoint a Committee to revise this Regulation, in view of the fact that tenants and jenmies are put to loss and trouble. This part of the question is not answered. Answer to question No. 68 is no answer to my question.

President.—Please look into that, Mr. Achyuta Menon?

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

There is no difficulty about it.

President.—The question was duly considered by the Government after the Legislative Council had come into existence. Then the non-official members will bring in more

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